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Docket No.: SON-2651

PATENT APPLICATION

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re the Patent Application of )  
Takakiyo Kanazawa et al. )  
Application Serial No. 10/508,812 ) Group Art Unit: 2627  
Filed: September 21, 2004 ) Examiner: Parul H. Gupta  
For: OPTICAL PICKUP APPARATUS AND ) Confirmation No: 5948  
OPTICAL DISK APPARATUS )  

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**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment and Response to Second Office Action and Letter to Official Draftsperson for the above-identified application.

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TOTAL						\$0

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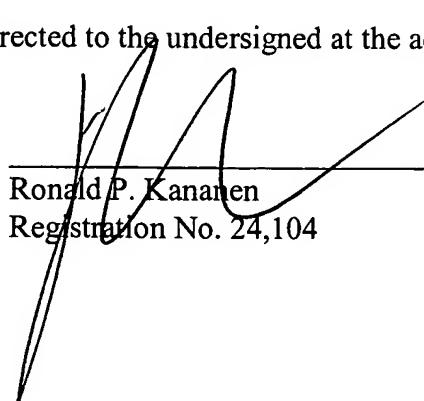
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO SECOND OFFICE ACTION**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 18, 2006 (Paper No. 20061013), please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.**

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 13 of this paper.